

thousand of that increase is for mandated data processing, computer-type related...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

Senator Warner ...expense which the state must do and that relates to a lot of other programs that are particularly in the area of child welfare that the state must do. So there is a reduction in the Governor's budget, in fact, for next year in addition to the \$210,000 cut that was made in the special session. The issue on the number of offices is simply one of whether or not, and in the judgment of the department, that is whether or not it can be more efficiently operated. I think the point has made that no dollar amount was specifically identified, but obviously over time the operating of fewer locations is more efficient which is what everybody campaigns for in public office.

PRESIDENT: Time.

SENATOR WARNER: It seems to be more efficient. Efficiency equates, very frankly, into fewer offices and usually fewer people, and in the case of social services, a very heavy amount of their share of the cost of administration obviously relates to people.

PRESIDENT: Time is up. Senator Nelson is next, but I understand the Clerk would like to put some things in so he can work on them.

CLERK: Senator, excuse me and thank you, your Committee on Retirement gives notice of hearing for February 23 and 25; Natural Resources for the 25th, 26th and 27th; Judiciary for the 18th, 19th and 20th; Agriculture for 24 and March 3 and Transportation for the 17th, 23rd, 24th and March 2nd, all signed by their respective Chairs.

I have a Reference Report referring LR 29 to the Natural Resources Committee for hearing.

Mr. President, Senator Baack has amendments to be printed to 413.

Enrollment and Review reports LB 40 and 147 correctly engrossed. Those are signed by Senator Moore.